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## I-80 Eastbound to close August 14

Part of I-80 bridge project at Peru

**OTTAWA** – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced they will close eastbound I-80 Friday, August 14 at 9 PM until Saturday morning at 5 AM between exit 75 (IL 251) and exit 79 (I-39.) This will require the closure of the ramps at IL251 and IL351 to eastbound I-80. The closure is needed for emergency repairs on the bridge carrying eastbound Interstate 80 over the Little Vermillion River. During the closure motorists can utilize IL 251 north to US 52 east then I-39 back south to I-80 east. Westbound I-80 will remain open.

This work is part of a larger project to repair or replace the I-80 bridges over the Little Vermillion River, East 3rd Road and Raccuglia Drive. Construction on westbound I-80 is expected to last until late fall, and work on eastbound I-80 will begin next spring.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

For IDOT District 3 updates, follow us on Twitter at <u>@IDOTDistrict3</u> or view area construction details on IDOT's traveler information map on GettingAroundIllinois.com.

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